

REMARKS

Claims 2-6 have been cancelled herein (claims 2, 4 and 6 having previously been identified in the Amendment filed July 6, 2004, as "cancelled"). Claims 3 and 5 have been cancelled herein, and new claims 15 and 16 added (which contain the subject matter of previously amended claims 3 and 5), so as to provide proper dependency.

It is believed that the current Amendment and Response to Non-Compliant Amendment properly identifies the status of all claims now herein (in view of the Supplemental Amendment filed on February 3, 2004, and Amendment filed July 6, 2004). Early action and allowance hereof is accordingly respectfully requested. In the event there is any reason why the application cannot be allowed at the present time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the number listed below to resolve any problems.

Respectfully submitted,

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